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For : USE OF INHIBITORS OF THE ACTIVATION OF CXCR4  
RECEPTOR BY SDF-1 IN TREATING RHEUMATOID  
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 5, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action issued May 5, 2003 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 5, 2003 Final Office Action is due August 5, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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